



BETWEEN THE PAGES

Huntsville Public Library

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Library News

RENOVATION

The citizens of Huntsville voted to approve funds for the renovation of our library building that will be more than triple the size of our current space.

We will be chronicling the adventure on our website with lots of photos and stories, so make sure you check it often! Also on our website is a copy of the new floor plan and other important information, including any potential closings.

NOVELIST

The library has subscribed to Nov-eList, an online database that helps you determine the next book you should read! It's chock full of booklists, information about award-winners, and recommended reads in all your favorite genres. Check out the second page of this issue for details.

EVENTS

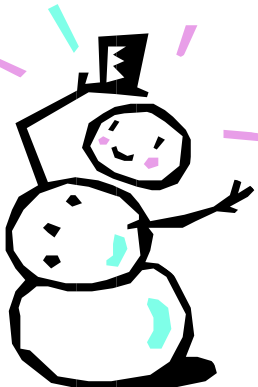
Check out the third page of this issue for a full listing of events for the month of December. Highlights include a visit from Santa at Pre-School Story Hour on December 17th and Read With the Dogs on December 9th.

CLOSINGS

The library will be closed December 24th through December 27th for Christmas. We will close again at 5 PM on Thursday, December 31st and remain closed through January 3rd. See page 3 for the full calendar.

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS?

Do you have questions, comments, or suggestions concerning the content of *Between the Pages*? Send them to Kimberly Francisco, Library Services Coordinator, at kfrancisco@huntsvilletx.gov. Thanks for your input!



New Titles

Here's a few of the dozens of new titles the library purchased in the last month. For examples of the best holiday-themed purchases of this year, check out the second page of this issue.

AUDIOBOOKS

The Book Thief

Markus Zusak

Zusak's award-winning book about a girl in World War II Germany comes to life.

The Golden Compass



Philip Pullman

The first in Pullman's trilogy about a girl from an alternate universe and her adventures in the North.

ADULT BOOKS

The Greatest Show on Earth

Richard Dawkins

In his latest bestseller, noted scientist Dawkins explores the evidence for evolution.

I, Alex Cross

James Patterson

Patterson's latest finds Cross searching for a relative's killer.

YOUNG ADULT

Demon Chick

Marilyn Kaye

Sixteen-year-old Jessica discovers that her mother sold her soul to the devil in exchange for political power.

JUVENILE

Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice

Phillip Hoose

This National Book Award-winner explores the life of a little-known civil rights activist.

The Dream Stealer

Sid Fleischman

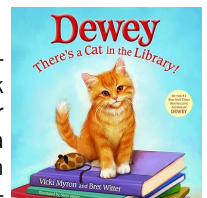
A plucky Mexican girl tries to recover her dream from the dream stealer's castle.

PICTURE BOOKS

Dewey: There's a Cat in the Library!

Vicki Myron

The best-selling book adapted for kids about a cat found in an Iowa library's book drop.



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Spotlight On: NoveList!



So you just finished up a terrific book, and you'd love to get your hands on more books by that author. The only problem is, you've read them all already. So how do you determine what your next read should be? NoveList is here to help.

How does NoveList work?

NoveList is what we librarians like to call a "Reader's Advisory Tool." That means it is a tool that advises you, the reader, about your reading interests. It allows you to search its huge catalog for books that YOU would enjoy, and you're not restricted to searching by title or author.

Simply describe a plot, and you'll receive dozens of results that point you in the right direction for exciting new reads!

What else does NoveList have?

NoveList is much more than a simple search tool. The creators of NoveList have compiled lists of award winners, recommended reads, book talks, author biographies, and lists geared toward specific age levels. It also includes recommended reads in many different genres, including science fiction, romance, graphic novels, horror, mystery, fantasy, adventure, and more. It's one of the best ways to discover great new fiction that

you never would have heard of otherwise. Then—come check it out at HPL!

How do I access NoveList?

Go to the library's home page: www.MyHuntsvilleLibrary.com. At the left, click on *Online Databases*. NoveList is listed at the bottom of that page. If you are using NoveList at the library, you may simply click on the link and you will be directed immediately to the database. If you are using NoveList at home, you will be prompted to enter your library card number before proceeding. You MUST go to NoveList from the library's website or you will be denied access.

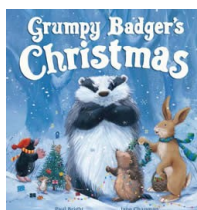
New Holiday Books & Movies

BOOKS FOR KIDS

Grumpy Badger's Christmas

Paul Bright

Badger doesn't like presents or Christmas, but the animals of the forest won't let him burrow down and sleep through the holiday.



A Piñata in a Pine Tree: A Latino Twelve Days of Christmas

Pat Mora

A Latino twist on the favorite carol, including an exchange of piñatas and "cuatro luminarias."

The True Gift: A Christmas Story

Patricia MacLachlan

A Christmas story from one of America's favorite children's authors.

The Twelve Days of Christmas

Gennady Spirin

Spirin's beautiful paintings bring this classic Christmas song to life.

A Christmas Carol

Charles Dickens

An abridged, fully-illustrated version of the classic for kids.

The Christmas Genie

Dan Gutman

When a meteorite crashes into a 5th grade classroom, the genie inside agrees to grant the class a Christmas wish, provided they can agree on one in one hour.

Dora's Christmas Carol

Christine Ricci

A special Christmas story about Dora the Explorer.

Fancy Nancy's Splendiferous Christmas

Robin Preiss Glasser

Nancy is devastated when her favorite Christmas tree topper breaks, threatening to ruin Christmas.

Horrid Henry's Christmas

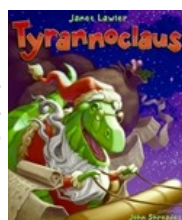
Francesca Simon

Four stories about a misbehaving boy who causes mayhem during the Christmas season.

Tyrannoclaus

Janet Lawler

Disaster nearly prevents a dinosaur Santa Claus from delivering toys to the prehistoric children on Christmas Eve.



BOOKS FOR ADULTS

A Christmas Blizzard

Garrison Keillor

A short comic novel about a Hawaii-bound holiday traveler who is stranded in his North Dakota hometown during a blizzard.

Home in Time for Christmas

Heather Graham

A special Christmas romance from the popular author.

MOVIES

Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas

Jim Carrey and company bring Dr. Seuss' classic story to life.



Mickey's Magical Christmas

Celebrate the season with Mickey Mouse and 35 other favorite Disney characters.

Curious George: A Very Monkey Christmas


George and the Man in the Yellow Hat have a hard time figuring out what to get each other for Christmas.

The Night Before Christmas

Scholastic brings to life seven stories about Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa.

December 2009



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 <u>Preschool</u> <u>Story Hour</u> 10:30-11:30 AM Library	4	5
6	7	8	9 <u>Read With the</u> <u>Dogs</u> 2:00-4:00 PM Library	10 <u>Preschool</u> <u>Story Hour</u> 10:30-11:30 AM Library	11	12
13	14	15	16	17  <u>Santa comes to Pre-school</u> <u>Story Hour!</u> 10:30-11:30 AM Library	18	19
20	21	22	23	24  Christmas Eve Library Closed	25  Christmas Library Closed	26 Library Closed
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